GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA A B S T R A C T

VIGILANCE - C&DMA - Sri T. Ramesh, former Manager (Retired) & Smt **K**. Latha, former Accountant (Retired), Sangareddy Municipality - Allegation of misappropriation of funds for the year 2008-09 to 2012-13 as pointed by special audit - Departmental proceedings initiated - Enquiry conducted - Charges held proved - Imposing a punishment - Orders - Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig-III) DEPARTMENT G.O.Rt.No. 284

Dated: 25-06-2024
Read the following:-

Ref:1. From the C&DMA, Hyd., Lr.Roc.No.2193/2014-C1, Dt:17.07.2015.

- 2. G.O.Rt.No.305&306, MA & UD (Vig.I(2)) Dept., Dt:7.8.2015.
- 3. Sri T. Ramesh & Smt. K. Latha, WSDs Dated:05.09.2015
- 4. G.O.Rt.No.281 282, MA & UD (Vig.I(2)) Dept, Dt:28.04.2016.
- 5. From Sri Jayaraj Kennady, Addl. Commissioner, GHMC & Enquiry Officer, Dt:15.04.2019.
- 6. Govt. Memo. No.7626/Vig.III/2015, Dated:01.09.2021.
- 7. From the C&DMA, Hyderabad Lr.Roc.No.2193/993/2014/C1, Dt:25.11.2021 along with explanations of Sri T. Ramesh & Smt. K. Latha, dt:7.10.2021 & 11.10.2021.
- 8. Govt. Memo. No.7626/Vig.III/2015, Dated:22.3.2022.
- 9. Explanations of Sri T. Ramesh & Smt. K. Latha, dt:11.4.2022 & 11.4.2022.
- 10. Letter.No.7626/Vig.III/2015, MA&UD(Vig.III) Dept., dt.28.4.2022
- 11. From the Secretary, TSPSC, Hyderabad, Lr.No.273/DC&C/TSPSC/2022, dt.25.11.2022.

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ORDER:

The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Telangana, Hyderabad has submitted the Draft Article of Charges against 1) Sri T. Ramesh, former Manager (Retired) & 2) Smt K. Latha, former Accountant (Retired), on the allegation of misappropriation of municipal funds in Sangareddy Municipality, vide reference $1^{\rm st}$ read above.

- 2. Therefore, Government have initiated disciplinary proceedings by issuing Article of Charges against the above Charged Officers, for the said irregularities vide reference 2nd read above. Accordingly, the Charged officers have submitted their Written statement of defenses vide reference 3rd read above, which are not convincing. Therefore, Government have appointed Enquiry Officer and Presenting Officer(s) respectively to conduct Enquiry into the charges framed against them vide reference 4th read above.
- 3. The Enquiry Officer has submitted Inquiry Report to the Government vide reference 5th read above wherein, it is reported that, out of eight (08) charges, seven (07) charges are held proved and one (01) charge is not held proved in respect of 1) Sri T. Ramesh *and* out of seven (07) charges, six charges are held proved and one charge were not held proved in respect of 2) Smt K. Latha.
- 5. After examination of the inquiry report, a copy of the Inquiry Report was communicated to the both Charged officers, in-terms of Rule 21(2) of Telangana Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, vide reference 6th read above for submission of their explanation on the Enquiry Officer findings. Accordingly, the C&DMA, Hyderabad has furnished the explanations of the charged officers submitted by them, vide reference 7th read above.
- 6. After careful examination, Government have provisionally decided to impose a punishment of 5% cut in pension for a period of three (03) years against 1) Sri T. Ramesh, former Manager (Retired) & 2) Smt K. Latha, former Accountant (Retired), accordingly, Show Cause Notices were issued to them to that effect calling for their explanations, if any, on the proposed punishment, vide reference 8th read above. The said both Charged Officers, have submitted their explanations to the Government, vide reference 9th read above, which are not convincing.

- 7. Government, have decided to confirm the above provisional decision and addressed the matter to the Secretary, Telangana State Public Service Commission for the concurrence, vide reference 10th read above. In response, the Secretary, TSPSC has opinion that a 20% cut in pension for a period of three (03) years may be imposed than 5% cut in pension as proposed in respect of 1).Sri T. Ramesh, the then Manager (Retired) & 2) Smt. K. Latha, Accountant (Retired) of Sangareddy Municipality and advised accordingly, vide reference 11th read above.
- 8. After careful examination of the matter, Government hereby imposes a punishment of 5% cut in pension for a period of three (03) years against 1).Sri T. Ramesh, former Manager (Retired) & 2) Smt. K. Latha, former Accountant (Retired), Sangareddy Municipality under Rule-9 of Telangana State Revised Pension Rules; 1980, in the issue.
- 9. The Director of Municipal Administration, Telangana, Hyderabad, shall take necessary action, accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

M. DANA KISHORE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Director of Municipal Administration, Telangana, Hyderabad. Sri T. Ramesh, former Manager(Retired), Sangareddy Municipality Smt K. Latha, Accountant(Retired), Sangareddy Municipality - Through the DMA, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The P.S. to Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.
The P.S. to the Principal Secretary to Government, MA&UD Department, Hyd.
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Telangana Vigilance Commission, Hyd.
The Secretary, Telangana State Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER